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12.30 p.m. to 12.45 p.m...Every 10 minutes.
1.45 p.m. to 1.50 p.m...Every 10 minutes.
1.55 p.m. to 1.60 p.m...Every 10 minutes.
1.45 p.m. to 2.15 p.m...Every 10 minutes.
2.15 p.m. to 5.00 p.m...Every 10 minutes.
5.00 p.m. to 8.10 p.m...Every 10 minutes.

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9.15 p.m.—The Palisade, Kowloon.

MEMOS FOR TO-MORROW.

Hongkong Stock Exchange Settlement Day.

2.30 p.m.—Auction of Typewriters at Messrs. Hughes and Hough.

2.30 p.m.—Auction of Sporting Guns and Rifles and Sporting Ammunition at Messrs. Hughes and Hough.

2.30 p.m.—Auction of Furniture, Bicycles, Typewriters, etc., at Messrs. Hughes and Hough.

6.15 p.m.—Memorial Service in St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon.

General Memoranda.

WEDNESDAY, August 30:

10.30 a.m.—Auction of Provisions at Messrs. Hughes and Hough.

10.30 a.m.—Auction of Books and Shoes, Glass Ware, etc., at Messrs. Hughes and Hough.

2.30 p.m.—Auction of Household Furniture, Blackwood Tables, Piano, Sewing Machine, etc., etc., at Harbour Office (top floor).

THURSDAY, Sept. 1:

11.15 a.m.—Auction of Electric Motor, Copper, Brass and Iron Pipes, etc.

ex. s.m.—Chyo-Maru at Kowloon Godowns.

2.30 p.m.—Auction of Household Furniture, Piano, Table Linen, etc.

at Messrs. Hughes and Hough.

SATURDAY, Sept. 2:

10.30 a.m.—Auction of Miscellaneous Goods at Messrs. Hughes and Hough.

MONDAY, Sept. 11:

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in its opening stages shows that the Germans are no longer in a position to resist the advance of the Allies which may, for some time yet, be slow, but it is methodical and sure.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The Chinese telegraph line to Canton has been restored.

A huge fall of debris in Conduit Road buried a man aged 21 years living at Second street. He was making an excavation on the hill side. His body was not recovered until life was extinct.

A man jumped from the verandah at 21 Wan Chai Road into Stone Nullah lane while the house was being searched for gamblers on Saturday night. He sustained such injuries that he had to be removed to the Hospital.

It transpired during the hearing of the Yunnan opium case at the Mixed Court that Yunnan opium in the province in which it is grown sells at \$3 per lb. The value in Shanghai was said by a witness to be \$150 per lb.

A Tokyo telegram states that Mr. A. H. Hilton-Johnson, the Deputy Superintendent of the Municipal Police Force of the International Settlement of Shanghai, is arranging with the Tokyo Foreign Office and Metropolitan Police to engage 30 Japanese police for the Municipal Police Forces and arrangements will soon be concluded.

We regret to learn that there have been two cases of typhoid this year among the missionaries who have been spending their annual vacation at Chung Chau (Dumbell Island). Mrs. Dobson, wife of Dr. W. H. Dobson, of the American Presbyterian Mission, at Yungkong, was brought over from the island to the Matilda Hospital a week ago. To the deep regret of all who knew her she died on Friday night and was buried on Saturday at Happy Valley. Another typhoid patient is Dr. B. Randall Vicker of the Wesleyan Missionary Society, Wuchow, who had spent a short vacation at Chung Chau and had then gone to Fatschan to relieve a fellow worker. Dr. Vicker was brought down to Hongkong from Fatschan for hospital treatment.

Mr. Hazland said the person who was really guilty was the No. 1 boy as he had probably taken a certain amount from those people for the privilege of allowing them to sleep there.

Each defendant, with the exception of the boy, was fined \$5.

THE MAGISTRACY.

THE WIDOW'S SON.

Mr. J. R. Wood this morning remanded a Chinese on a charge of kidnapping. According to the Police, a widow brought her son to Hongkong from Cheung Chau. Soon after her arrival in Hongkong she missed the boy. He had evidently been accepted by the defendant who had taken the boy and given him a new pair of shoes and a new suit of clothes and then took him on board the s.s. "Wing On." It was while making a search for the boy that she found him on board the boat.

The man who had thought the woman had gone to Canton and he was going to take the boy to her.

A FORGED CHOP.

A plaintiff in a forged chop case said to Mr. Wood that an arrangement was come to whereby money that was to be put in the business should be deposited at the International Bank and only withdrawn on the signature of the defendant and the chop of the "President" of the district, has fled. He is reported to have sought refuge in British territory. The Chinese telegraph service between Canton and Hongkong has already been restored, and it is announced to-day that through railway traffic will be restored to-morrow.

As representative of the Bank at the Court this morning said no such joint account had existed at the Bank. Case remanded.

ROUNDING UP TRESPASSERS.

Acting on a telegraphic communication from Mr. E. Irving, Director of Education, Detective-Sergt. Wills went to the servants' quarters at the Yatmachi Government Schools to arrest trespassers. He found there three men and a boy. Two of them said they were boarders at the school. A foki said the men went there to sleep.

The jury was composed of Messrs. Walter Ross, Wm. Drude and P. N. Xavier.

Dr. Smallay said deceased had suffered terrible injuries. Death was due to shock and hemorrhage.

Deceased's companion said a number of iron plates were being moved when the jib of the crane suddenly gave way and crushed deceased who was standing below. He lived only a few minutes.

The Captain Superintendent of Police (the Hon. Mr. McL. Messer) then examined the crane driver, who said the crane had been in work for three years off and on. The fixings had worked loose. The crane was overhauled after the accident but he did not remember it having been overhauled previously. He had been working the jib of the crane up and down. He had been asked to lift two sheets of iron, but as soon as he set the engine the jib fell down and struck deceased. The accident was caused through the hoisting clutch working out.

Capt. Russell, Government Marine Surveyor, deposed to examining the crane after the accident along with the Hon. Mr. McL. Messer, Captain Superintendent of Police. He found the jib of the crane on the ground. He examined the lavers and found there was no possibility of the jib falling had the clutch been put in gear before the ratchet was fixed. The only way he could account for the accident was through the wrong lever being used.

The condition of the crane was slack and badly in need of a good overhaul. Witness thought the accident was due to a mistake on the part of the crane driver. Coolies were in the habit of working too near a crane and often stood on a plate to keep the weight level. Had the machine only been slightly out of gear there would be a tendency for the paw to shift over. The ratchet was worn.

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Mr. T. Neave, Superintendent Engineer at the Dock, said he examined the crane after the accident but found nothing broken or damaged with the exception of the jib. He tested the clutches and found them free and working in good order. He also examined the paw and ratchet and these were also working well. He did not see anything on the crane to which he could attribute the accident. He suggested the driver made a mistake in working the crane. He evidently pulled the clutch out of the gear while the paw was out of gear, and that might have been accidental. It might be that he put his hand to work the reversing lever and accidentally pulled the wrong handle.

Interrogated by Mr. Messer, witness said the crane was examined in March. The working parts were all inspected.

After the accident you thought it necessary to deal with the ratchet? I have done so.

The inference is that your ratchet was not in good order. It was not absolutely necessary to renew it then.

The jury decided that deceased was killed by accident and expressed no desire to add a rider.

CLOSING SHARE QUOTATIONS.

In the report of the Board of Audit Control signed by Mr. Woodburn Kirby, President of the Institute of Chartered Accountants, we get some reference to the expenses of administration. The Report deals with the accounts for the September quarter and it gives the percentage of expenses to total transactions as 2.5 per cent., but the report states that this percentage is in a sense illusive, as the expenses charged to the fund do not include the whole of the expenses properly attributable to the administration of the fund, of the reason that the expenses of the local relief Committees are chargeable to the mice and are not disclosed.

2nd Scottish Horse, July 10th.

Dms. Mayan.—I have to thank you, clearly again for the parcels of shirts and socks which arrived all right yesterday.

Yours faithfully,

(Signed) J. YOUNG COOPER.

THE SITUATION AT CANTON.

ARRIVAL OF ADMIRAL SAH.

Admiral Sah Chun Bing arrived at Canton from the North on the afternoon of the 25th inst., his flagship being the Wong Chien. He was greeted with the customary salute by the warships in port. Admiral Sah called on Governor-General Lung Chai-Kwong soon after his arrival and afterwards returned to his flag-ship.

LI LIEH KWAN.

It is reported that General Li Lieh Kwan left Shiu Hing on the 23rd inst. for Wuchow, but his intentions are not publicly known.

THE RE-CAPTURE OF SHEK-LUNG.

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DEATH ENQUIRY.

DOCK COOLIE'S TERRIBLE INJURIES.

An enquiry was held at the Magistracy this afternoon by Mr. Hazland, Coroner, into the circumstances surrounding the death of a dock coolie who was killed by a falling crane at the Kowloon Dock on the 14th inst.

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SPORTING.

TENNIS.

AMERICAN TOURNAMENT AT THE OLYMPIC TENNIS CLUB.

One of the pleasantest afternoons on the Olympic Tennis Club's ground took place on Saturday when an American mixed doubles tournament was played. There were two teams and the competition was so keen that out of the 32 games played, the B team won by the small margin of 28 games. The tournament was arranged by Messrs. C. D. Wilson and C. H. Higginbotham, both of whom were heartily thanked at the close.

The winning team received spoons which were presented by Mrs. Barr.

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LATEST TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

THE WESTERN FRONT.

BRITISH PROGRESS.

LONDON, Aug. 27.—Sir Douglas Haig's latest communiqué states:

'A further 200 yards of German trench north of Bazeuil-le-Petit has been captured.'

'Seven more machine-guns were captured than were seen in the communiqués of the 25th inst.'

'The enemy's artillery was active during the night between the Somme and the Aisne.'

The enemy shelled the neighbourhood of Bethune. We retaliated on enemy railway stations and barracks.

LATEST NEWS FROM BRITISH FRONT.

LONDON, Aug. 28.

Sir Douglas Haig reports: 'We have gained ground north-west of Ginchy. The weather interferes with operations.'

In the afternoon there was considerable activity on both sides. The enemy's fire was directed mainly against our support trenches, especially north west of Longueval.

Our guns blew up enemy bomb stores and we exploded mines between Armentières and Neuve-Chapelle.

The enemy blew up two small mines south-west of Auchy and south of Ypres; but there were no casualties.

Our latest captures include four officers and 55 others.'

BITTER COMPLAINTS OF THE GERMAN SOLDIER.

THE UBILITY OF THE BRITISH AIRMAN.

LONDON, Aug. 27.

Reuter's Correspondent at Headquarters in France states that the captured diary of a German soldier bitterly complains that during the day one hardly dares to sleep in a trench owing to British aeroplanes flying so low. There is nothing to see of the German "hero-airmen." He says: "One can hardly calculate how much additional loss of life through strain on the nerves this costs us."

A captured letter says the writer's Division lost nearly 7,000 before it was relieved at the end of July. The casualties return of the 179th Regiment show losses amounting to 64 per cent. German officer prisoners admit that the view is held that our offensive is only beginning, which is contrary to what the German newspapers say; also that there was considerable disorganisation caused by the attack developing where it did instead of in the Arns region, where it was expected.

YAIN ENEMY ATTACKS ON FRENCH FRONT.

PARIS, Aug. 27.

A communiqué states: 'There is relative calm on the Somme front, as the weather is interfering with operations.'

The Germans attacked three times at Vaux Wood, but were forced to return to their trenches.

The Germans attacked on 800 yards of front in the direction of Croix St. Jean, Lorraine. They were caught by our fire curtains and completely defeated.

BAD WEATHER CONTINUES.

PARIS, Aug. 27.

An official statement says there is nothing important to announce. Bad weather continues.

ALLIED AIR SQUADRON BOMBS NEIGHBOURHOOD OF GHENT.

AMSTERDAM, Aug. 27.

The Echo Belge states that an allied air squadron bombed the neighbourhood of Ghent on the 25th inst. Two big explosions were heard and it is believed that two ammunition depots were blown up. It is rumoured that the damage and the number of victims were very great.

In the course of the attack a gunpowder depot at Molenbeke was blown up and a Zeppelin stationed at St. Denis Westende was damaged.

THE ITALIAN FRONT.

FIERCE FIGHTING AT DIARBEKIR.

PETROGRAD, Aug. 27.

Official.—On the Stokhod near Tobol the enemy engaged in a violent bombardment. There is fierce fighting at Diarbekir.

On the Caucasian front columns have reached Macla on the Darius river, a tributary of the Euphrates.

ARTILLERY WORK.

PARIS, Aug. 27.

A communiqué states: 'There has been considerable enemy activity in Trentino, but no infantry attack.'

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**TRUTH ABOUT THE
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**LETTERS THAT REVEAL WAR
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**UNSENSORED STORIES OF THE
 FIGHT FOR DAILY BREAD.**

With her Press and Parliament stifled, her police ready to pounce at the first protest, her consuls putting out our own to shame in severity, Germany of to-day needs to be a term incongruous to the nations that invest her.

Truth will out, however, under the most tyrannical of officialdom. Sometimes the truth is lifted for a moment in the Reichstag itself. Often credible neutrals throw a lurid light on Germany's suffering in the catastrophe she has wrought, but it is left to the pen of the soldier in the field and of his loving ones at home to paint the real signs of our enemy.

If there were only a score or two of these letters speaking the despair, the fears, the disillusionments of their writers they might be fabricated by a clever enemy to buy us up here with baseless hopes. But these letters are found by the hundred on the bodies of fallen Germans or in the pockets of prisoners, ready to be posted after the battle which for many was their last. Therefore they are underscored, and, moreover, the letters written from home to soldiers in the field seem, in many cases, to be granted special immunity by the black-clad official.

Another Berliner discourses dolefully on the prohibitive price of the Preiserwurst and the sausages generally.

Sausages are (he writes) as tough as dry bread, for there is no grease to put in them, and they cost 4 marks 50 (4s. 8d.) a pound. In the minced liver sausage there is nothing but oatmeal and breadcrumbs, and it won't keep more than a day.

You are forbidden to make any other sort of sausage. What we used to call Thuring or butchers' sausages now consist of gristle.

After a vivid description of the scenes so familiar to our readers of anxious Frau besieging all day shops which have managed to get a supply of butter the writer says milk cards are granted only to those who have young children.

Follow which they used to throw at you, costs 4 marks 50 (4s. 8d.) a pound, and anything else which can be bought is horribly dear and exists for the rich only. At the margarine depots women take their stand at three in the morning, always under the surveillance of the police. A herring which used to cost 1d. is 4d. now. You can make a round of Berlin to get 4d. of sugar. We shall probably have cards for that soon.

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... see next.

From Wilhelmsthal (Westphalia) comes the complaint that people are stealing dogs with which to make soup.

It is terrible," said a letter from Halle in April, "to have nothing to eat but slices of bread with 'compote' and marmalade." In fact, there seems to be a plethora of marmalade in Germany, and one letter suggests that "regiments threatened to mutiny because marmalade comprised their staple of nourishment."

We find that even Essen, the Krupp stronghold, is unable to escape the common lot. "We shall soon be able to institute a Famine Committee," wrote a philosopher on April 16, "for you can't get anything for your money." A Dusseldorf wrote next day: "If the war lasts much longer we shall die of hunger."

Some more extracts.

Erlfeld, March 5.

Yesterday there was a riot before the Hotel de Ville. The women are sometimes more terrible than the men.

We read that one woman was killed, another had three fingers cut off, a third went mad.

Aplerbeck, April 2.

At Dusseldorf yesterday a woman asked for relief of her husband who is at the front, and she has not enough for her six children. As they would not give her any more she struck the Commissary of Police. He killed her. Then there was an assembly of women.

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